

Joseph Chapman named NDSU's 13th president

Montana State University senior vice president and provost Joseph A. Chapman was named NDSU's 13th president Thursday by the North Dakota Board of Higher Education. A national search started in July when a 22-member search committee chaired by Fargo Mayor Bruce Furness held its first meeting.



"I'm very pleased. I think he is going to fit in with the environment of the university," said Jack Hoeven, chair of the Board of Higher Education. "He has a tremendous amount of drive and personality. He's a good consensus-builder and has done some really impressive things. He'll be able to handle this job really well."

In accepting the appointment, Chapman said, "We've really come to enjoy and like the people we've met here. We feel like we have already made a lot of friends. It just feels good and it feels right. It's a great fit for me and I think it will be a great fit for North Dakota. It feels like home."

"I consider myself to be a people person. I enjoy the students—that's why we're here is for our students. I plan to be engaging with our students and interact with them, but I also plan to come here to be the president."

Larry Isaak, chancellor of the North Dakota University System, praised Chapman and the work of the search committee. "Chapman's experience as senior executive vice president at Montana State University has given him the opportunity to function as a president. His experience in building joint programs with campuses across Montana will be something that is extremely beneficial to North Dakota. His experience working with agricultural commodity groups, alumni and students is something we believe he brings to the position. It was that factor that weighed heavily in my recommendation to have Joe Chapman as the next president of NDSU."

Chapman plans to start his new post after June 1.

The search committee, aided by the consulting firm of R.H. Perry and Associates, received 47 nominations and applications to fill the presidential post vacated June 30 when Thomas Plough left NDSU to assume the presidency of Assumption College, Worcester, Mass.

In his report to the Board of Higher Education prior to the final candidate interviews, Furness thanked search committee members for their hard work and submitted the unranked names of the finalists.

"In one sense, we have made your decision very easy because we have provided you with three outstanding finalists. But in another, more real sense, because of this very high quality of these candidates, your decision is extremely hard," Furness said.

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In addition to administrative duties at Montana State University, Bozeman, Chapman is a professor of biology. Prior to joining the university in 1996, he was dean of the College of Natural Resources at Utah State University. From 1969 to 1983, he worked at the University of Maryland, College Park, rising to head the Appalachian Environmental Laboratory. Chapman earned his bachelor's degree, master's degree and doctorate from Oregon State University, Corvallis. He lists 11 books and editorships, eight monographs, 31 book chapters and symposia proceedings, 67 journal publications and more than 100 reports and popular articles. He is a member of the Montana Ambassadors, chair of the deans' council of Montana State University and board member of the Museum of the Rockies. Chapman is a member of the Wildlife Society, American Society of Mammalogists, Explorer's Club, American Philatelic Society and is a chartered biologist of the Institute of Biology, London.

Chapman calls himself a consensus builder

The NDSU community was introduced to Joseph Chapman, its next president, by North Dakota University System Chancellor Larry Isaak at a public reception Jan. 15 in the Memorial Union. The 13th university president will join the campus about June 1, succeeding Interim President Allan G. Fischer.

Isaak recognized the search committee chaired by Mayor Bruce Furness and praised Fischer's efforts. "He did an outstanding job as president. Al stepped in and the campus never missed a beat. He handled the job with dignity and finesse."

Isaak said Chapman will do an outstanding job as NDSU's president. "He understands the mission of the land-grant institution, and he is very understanding of the role of faculty and staff in carrying out that mission. Dr. Chapman will be someone people can really talk to. He's got a lot of vision and he'll do very well here at NDSU."

Chapman said he is looking forward to coming to campus. "Gale and I are excited to be here. This is a very high quality institution. There are tremendous opportunities in a variety of disciplines," he said. "NDSU has a very talented and committed group of faculty and tremendous students. NDSU is in a position to make a real mark, not only in the state, but nationally. We can define the future, and that is what we are going to do."

Chapman said there will be a transition period as he gets to know the campus and faculty, staff and students get acquainted with him. I want to have a dialogue with faculty and staff, and I want to talk with students. What things fit for us? How do we work to define the future of land-grant universities for the next millennium."

Chapman described himself as a "people person" and a consensus builder. "I enjoy interacting with folks, but I know the difference between being engaging and getting involved in micro-management," he said. "I believe in letting the folks responsible for programs do those things that are theirs to do. I believe in getting them the support they need. I'll be engaging, but I certainly won't be interfering with the good things going on here. I am perfectly capable of making hard decisions, but it's always better if we can come together and reach a common vision."

Chapman plans to hold regular meetings with students, so he and other administrators can hear their input. "I want them to be a vibrant part of the future of the institution," he said. "We're going to start that process as soon as we can."

Chapman said the university and area are a good fit for him and his family. He calls himself "an avid bird hunter" and said his family enjoys outdoor activities like fishing and hiking. Chapman and his wife, Gale, have two daughters, Jennifer, 11, and Valerie, 14.

NSF EPSCoR co-funding an excellent opportunity for researchers

This is a reminder that the National Science Foundation EPSCoR Program has implemented a new funding opportunity for researchers in science, engineering, and math in the EPSCoR states. The co-funding initiative is a cooperative effort between the NSF Directorate/Division programs and the NSF EPSCoR Program. Co-funding is designed to facilitate the mainstreaming of EPSCoR researchers into funding and research support from a variety of programs and special competitions available through NSF. Educational programs are not eligible for co-funding.

NSF plans to allocate at least \$30 million for co-funding in FY99. NSF has urged EPSCoR states to accelerate their submissions to the research directorates using the co-funding mechanism. There is no official deadline but the effective deadline for FY99 dollars is early February due to the six-month review process. Proposals submitted after February are likely to be funded in FY 2000.

Last year North Dakota researchers fared very well in the competition for these funds. Of the \$30 million available to the EPSCoR states, our researchers garnered more than \$3.1 million. We were third among the EPSCoR states and won more dollars than were awarded to the bottom four states combined.

If a proposal is to be certified as eligible (see our Web site and the NSF-EPSCoR link) for co-funding, investigators must plan ahead in order to insure that a signed NSF Form 1404 is obtained from the ND EPSCoR office. Investigators should fax a completed proposal cover page and project summary to ND EPSCoR at 231-7947. The project director will complete and sign an NSF Form 1404 which then must be sent in by the investigator with the original proposal.

For more information, contact the ND EPSCoR office at 1-8400 or visit the Web site www.ndsu.nodak.edu/epscor/.

Fischer thanks legislators for support of NDSU

NDSU made its initial presentation to the 1999 North Dakota Legislature when an eight-member delegation led by Interim President Allan G. Fischer appeared before the House Appropriations Committee Jan. 12.

Gov. Ed Schafer's recommendation for the upcoming biennium calls for NDSU to receive \$71,651,732 in general funds, \$47,327,768 in tuition and \$1,333,635 in other funds. NDSU supports the governor's plan, which includes individual campuses keeping all tuition money they generate and agriculture initiatives as recommended by the State Board of Agricultural Research.

"Over the years, I have seen legislators struggle to address a seeming endless list of needs with finite resources," Fischer said to committee members. "I hope you will agree with me that the investments made in NDSU have brought rewards that have far exceeded the investment, both in terms of actual dollars, and also in the lives of our 55,000 living alumni here in North Dakota and around the world."

Fischer explained NDSU last year earned \$20.4 million in external funding awards and North Dakota ranked third in a group of 20 states in obtaining additional grants from divisions within the National Science Foundation. He said NDSU attracts industry to the state and spins off new companies.

"You read that education is the engine for economic development," Fischer said. "I thank you for your investment but also exhort your support for higher education which allows NDSU and other institutions to continue to be economic engines."

The university presented several capital improvement needs, including \$2,542,005 for Americans with Disabilities Act projects, \$2,852,300 for major renovations and \$13,191,438 for repairs to such things as roofs, streets, sidewalks, parking lots and heating plant.

NDSU asked lawmakers to put emergency clauses on construction appropriations to prevent the projects from being delayed a year. The clauses would allow the bill to take effect immediately upon the governor's signature and not on July 1, the start of the state's fiscal year. According to Dick Rayl, vice president for business and finance, that would give more time during the construction season to complete a project.

On salary matters, Craig Schnell, vice president for academic affairs, asked legislators to approve salary increases of 3 percent for each year of the biennium, \$528,000 for merit and equity adjustments and \$316,000 for new positions for a Distance Education and Career Center. He said hiring and retaining qualified faculty is NDSU's top priority.

George Wallman, vice president for student affairs, told the committee he is optimistic about NDSU's enrollment picture. "The Educational Testing Service study indicates an increase in the demand for higher education in North Dakota," he said. Wallman said the university had 7,664 full-time students and 1,872 part-time students in 1998, an increase of 126 full-time students and 12 part-time students from 1997.

NDSU's delegation included Fischer; Schnell; Rayl; Wallman; Michael Chambers, an alumnus; Ronda Schmidt, a student; Tony Grindberg, Skills and Technology Training Center executive director; and Jeremy Greene, student president.

NDSU to request building projects

NDSU will ask the 1999 North Dakota Legislature to approve three building projects. The requests include the funding of the \$4.4 million first phase of the Animal Care Facility and approval of the locally funded construction of the Health and Wellness Center and Sudro Hall renovation project.

The proposed \$4.5 million health center would be funded with student fees. The NDSU student body expressed its support of the project during a vote in April. The current health clinic, Nelson Health Center, is 60 years old and was built when NDSU had 1,600 students.

The \$1.75 million Sudro Hall project, which includes a concept pharmacy and upgraded research facilities in the College of Pharmacy, would be privately financed.

Distinguished Professorship nominations due Feb. 5

The Fargo-Moorhead Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professorship selection committee is seeking nominations for the 20th distinguished professorship. The recipient will be selected in April and recognized at the annual awards luncheon of the chamber in May. He or she will receive a cash award and will be permanently titled "Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professor."

The award has been designed to recognize the NDSU faculty members (excluding deans, directors and vice presidents) who have reached an extraordinary level of distinction. Will Bleier, professor and chair of zoology, was the 1998 recipient of the award.

The committee will judge nominees for the honor on the basis of their performance and promise as scholars, teachers and/or artists during their time at NDSU. Substantial professional achievement by nominees leading to recognition, not only at NDSU and North Dakota, but also nationally and internationally, will play a major role in guiding the committee's deliberations. Other characteristics that will contribute to the worthiness of candidates include:

- superior teaching and other interaction with students;
- significant publications or other scholarly contributions;
- awards, offices in national organizations and editorships;
- financial and other support for scholarly activities from external sources; and
- substantial community service and/or outreach activity in the region.

Nominations will be accepted from any member of the university or chamber committees. A letter of nomination addressing the above criteria, along with a three-page resume and no more than three letters of support, should be sent to Will Bleier, committee chair, Stevens 218, on or before Feb. 5. For more information about the award or the nomination process, call Bleier at 1-8421 or David Martin at 237-5678.

Draft of Policy 347 on Intellectual Property available

Faculty are encouraged to review two files dealing with the proposed Intellectual Property Policy. The files are:

Questions and Answers for Faculty on Proposed Intellectual Property Policy, Section 347, by Rick Johnson, General Counsel, and

Draft Policy, SECTION 347: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The files, in "portable document format," are located at www.ndsu.nodak.edu/zoology/draft347.htm.

Please forward comments and suggestions to NDSU Faculty List <ndsu-faculty@listserv.nodak.edu> and/or NDSU University Senate List <su-senate@listserv.nodak.edu> with carbon copies to Rick Johnson <rjohnson@gwmail.nodak.edu>.

Dean search underway for College of Science and Mathematics

A national search has begun for the next dean of the NDSU College of Science and Mathematics.

"We are looking for someone who has an established record for research, is committed to quality teaching and has an understanding and experience in administration," said Virginia Clark, dean of the College of Human Development and Education and chair of the search committee. "We are looking for an outstanding professional."

The committee will meet during the week of Jan. 25 to review applications and begin the process of narrowing the pool of candidates. The goal is to have the new dean hired by July 1.

"The committee has identified that is important to find a person who is willing to represent and work with the campus, someone who would promote and facilitate inter-disciplinary and inter-campus work," Clark said. "Being a player on the campus team is very important."

Clark encourages faculty and staff to forward suggestions about potential candidates to the committee. Full vitae of all candidates are available for review at Clark's office, EML 255, and the science and mathematics dean's office, Stevens 201.

The search committee members are Clark; Phil Boudjouk, professor of chemistry; Keri Drinka, college relations coordinator; Sandra Holbrook, equal opportunity director; Arland Oleson, professor of biochemistry; Scott Peterson, student; Allan McQuarrie, assistant professor of statistics; Ken Magel, professor of computer science; Mark Nawrot, assistant professor of psychology; Charles Sawicki, associate professor of physics; Donald Schwert, professor of geosciences; Mark Sheridan, professor of zoology; Deb Tomanek, associate professor of botany; Marek Urban, professor and chair of polymers and coatings; Yuesheng Xu, associate professor of mathematics; and Kyle Zimmer, graduate student.

Kevin McCaul, professor of science and mathematics, currently is serving as interim dean.

Submissions needed for Memorial Union master calendar

Over the course of the next several weeks, university organizations and departments will be asked to submit requests for the use of the Memorial Union for major events planned during the 1999-2000 academic year.

To streamline the scheduling, we are accepting tentative reservation forms immediately. The forms will be compiled and processed in phases. Please contact the Memorial Union scheduling office to receive the master calendar packet by calling 1-8417 or 1-9447, or by e-mail at jburesh@gwmail.nodak.edu.

The Memorial Union scheduling office will not be photocopying and mailing out the master calendar to the departments, as in the past, due to the high cost of photocopies. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the calendar, please e-mail or call the scheduling office. Hard copies will be mailed at the end of March.

People

Lifton presents paper at Modern Language Convention

Paul Lifton, associate professor of theatre arts, presented the paper "Thornton Wilder as 'Proto-Postmodernist'" at the 1998 convention of the Modern Language Association in San Francisco in December. The paper was presented as part of the panel "Rethinking Thornton Wilder," and examined elements in Wilder's plays that might be classified as postmodern texts or as forerunners of postmodernism. The refereed panel was one of two at the convention sponsored by the American Theatre and Drama Society.

Lifton has also just had his essay "Theatrical Ragout from a Master Chef" printed in an anthology of new essays on Wilder published by Locust Hill Press. The essay is an expanded version of a lecture Lifton presented in 1997 at a festival to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Wilder's birth.

McIntyre presents workshop, Hatlen attends conference

Charles McIntyre, assistant professor of construction management and engineering, will administer a one-day workshop using Microsoft Project for the National Association of Home Builders. This is a "hands-on" computer-applied workshop in project scheduling. Also attending the show are four construction management and engineering students who will compete in the Construction Management Marathon against other university teams.

Vince Hatlen, professor of architecture, attended the conference "Coming full circle: using assessment to transform teaching and learning," in Minneapolis in November. The conference was sponsored by the Collaboration for the Advancement of College Teaching and Learning.

Singh receives fellowship

Jagdish Singh, assistant professor in pharmaceutical sciences, was chosen to receive a 1999 Undergraduate Research Fellowship in Pharmaceutics from the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America. The Fellowship will support Lisa Marie Vandrovec, a first professional year Pharm.D. student in the College of Pharmacy, while she studies, "Transport of non-electrolyte and changes in skin resistance by iontophoresis."

Vandrovec worked in Singh's lab as a Science Bound student during the summer of 1998.

Human Development and Education faculty get grants, publish papers

Ron Stammen, associate professor of education, received a \$2,500 grant to supplement a study tour to Ohio State and institutions of the University of North Carolina, particularly Wilmington. The purpose of the study is to write a White Paper for the State Board for Vocational Education. The focus is administrative and inservice utilization of desktop Virtual Reality/3D via video streaming. The paper will be reviewed by the technology committee of the North Dakota School Administrators Association.

Theresa Nicklas, chair and professor of food and nutrition, published "An Innovative School-Based Nutrition Intervention for High School Students: Gimme 5" in the October issue of *The North Dakota Journal of Human Services*.

Brad Strand, chair and professor of health, physical education and recreation, recently co-authored "The Effects of Two Instructional Formats on the Heart Rate Intensity and Skill Development of Physical Education Students," which appeared in the *Physical Educator*.

Margaret Fitzgerald, assistant professor of child development and family science, and co-authors from the NE-167R regional research project, Family Businesses: Interaction of Work and Family Spheres, had the article "Revisiting the Study of Family Businesses: Methodological Challenges, Dilemmas, and Alternative Approaches" published in the September 1998 issue of *Family Business Review*.

Fitzgerald and Jean Soderquist, assistant professor of child development and family science, presented "Money and Emotions: The Experiences of Clients, and the Implications for Financial Counselors and Family Therapists" at the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education annual conference in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Kathleen Slobin, associate professor of sociology and J. Wade Hannon, associate professor of counseling education, attended a Behavioral and Social Sciences Volunteer Program Pilot Training in Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 5-7. Slobin and Hannon were recruited by the Behavioral and Social Science Volunteer Program to provide technical assistance to the North Dakota HIV Prevention Community Planning Group. The training program focused on the latest research in HIV Prevention and how group members can best assist community planning groups, community-based organizations and AIDS service organizations in planning, implementing and evaluating programs.

Events

Little Country Theatre to present dark comic play

The Little Country Theatre will present "Baby with the Bathwater" 8 p.m. Feb. 3-6 in Askanase Auditorium. The dark-humored play centers around John and Helen, new parents who don't know whether their baby is a boy or a girl. The doctor tells them they can decide later; unfortunately, they guess wrong and start their child on a rocky road to adulthood. A modern-day "anti-Mary Poppins" nanny adds to the dysfunction with advice and unusual gifts.

The play is directed by Carol Bennet, a graduate student in theatre arts. It contains adult language and subject matter. Tickets are \$8 for adults; \$7 for senior citizens, students and children; and \$4 for NDSU students. NDSU staff may attend a free preview night at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 2. Call the Little Country Theatre Box Office at 1-7969 or the Division of Fine Arts Box Office at 1-7932 for tickets.

Brown bag seminar to look at longevity of Social Security

The YMCA of NDSU is sponsoring the brown bag seminar, "Will Social Security Be There for Me, My Children and My Grandchildren?" It is scheduled for noon Wednesday, Jan. 27, in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room.

Dewayne Peterson, AARP, will discuss questions raised about Social Security and senior citizens. He will talk about its present financial state and what it will be like in the future.

Smyth to present colloquium

Joshua Smyth, assistant professor of psychology, will present "Blood, Sweat, Tears, and ... Spit? Measuring Physiological Stress Responses in the Natural Environment," at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 22, in Minard 209.

The presentation will examine the rationale and feasibility of performing psychoendocrinological research in naturalistic settings using salivary cortisol measures, and will present data to demonstrate the insights this approach can provide.

Researchers have long sought to explain how psychological factors can impact health. The endocrine system, through the secretion of the hormone cortisol, is one mechanism to explain this relationship. Cortisol has both anti-inflammatory and immunoregulatory properties, and is sensitive to psychological states and mood. Recent technological developments have led to easy and inexpensive ways to assay cortisol from saliva.

The first part of the presentation will examine the rationale and feasibility of performing psychoendocrinological research—including the characterization of overall levels, diurnal cycles, and acute stress reactivity of cortisol—in naturalistic settings. The second part of this presentation will utilize data collected in a naturalistic study, of relaxation training in asthmatics, to demonstrate the unique insights this approach can provide.

Financial management to be focus of month-long event

The Career Center, Financial Aid Office, Memorial Union, Project Success and Residence Life are sponsoring Debt/Financial Management Month in an effort to raise awareness and provide information about personal financial management.

The events listed below are open to students, faculty and staff and will continue into February.

Put Your Credit Card on the Chopping Block

Wednesday, Jan. 20, Memorial Union

Visit the Village Financial Counselors booth for assistance in closing your credit card accounts and getting out of debt.

Getting Through College without Borrowing Too Much From Your Future

Carey Amstrup, Village Family Services

Noon-1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20, Meadowlark, Memorial Union

A realistic look at "life's agenda." Learn about setting financial goals, types of interest rates, and budget busters.

Credit and Debt: Your Past, Present, and Future

Carey Amstrup, Village Family Services

6-7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20, Stockbridge Hall Main Lounge

Learn important ways to make good decisions about your financial past, present, and future.

Show Me The Money!\$: Scholarships and Financial Aid

Wendy Fisher, Financial Aid Office

6-7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 27, Weible Hall Main Lounge

Plan to leave this program with new ways to obtain financial support for your college expenses.

Budgeting Basics: Where did all that money go?

Margaret Fitzgerald, assistant professor child development and family science

7-8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 3, Peace Garden, Memorial Union

The basics of constructing a personal budget will be reviewed in this presentation. Reasons why people fail at budgeting will be addressed, and hints for sticking with a budget will be provided.

On-Campus vs. Off-Campus Living: Financial Decision and Housing Option

Pete Bower

7-8 p.m. Thursday, February 4, Thompson Hall Main Lounge

Deciding where to live next year? Before you choose, take this opportunity to explore your options and learn some facts to help you make the best decision you can. Pete Bower is a former NDSU staff member and a current apartment manager in the Fargo-Moorhead community. For more information contact Karla Thoennes, assistant director for leadership and community development, at 1-6255, or by e-mail at kthoenne@gwmail.nodak.edu

Shorts and Reminders

New York Times subscriptions

• The Sunday New York Times subscriptions for spring semester are available at the Varsity Mart. The subscription starts Jan. 24 and runs through May 2. Each paper is \$2. Papers are available after 8 a.m. Monday mornings at the Varsity Mart. Stop by the Varsity Mart to sign up or call Karla at 1-7762.

Golden Key campus awareness

• Golden Key National Honor Society has planned its fourth annual campus awareness campaign for Jan. 19-21. A booth will be set up in the union from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Students who would like more information about the organization may stop to ask questions. A pizza social/information meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20 in the Memorial Union Peace Garden Room.

Juniors and seniors with a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher are eligible for membership. Applications are must be post-marked by Feb. 15. For more information contact Bonnie Cooper at 1-7771.

• Positions open and their closing dates through the Office of Human Resources, Room 205, Old Main:

Information Specialist/#0577

Admission

\$17,048

Jan. 25

Box Office Manager

8 a.m.-5 p.m. (some evenings)

Monday-Friday (some weekends)

Division of Fine Arts

\$14,500

Jan. 25

Financial Aid Clerk/#4550

Hours: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Financial Aid Office

\$15,000+/year

Jan. 27

Administrative Secretary II/#0766

Information Technology Services

\$15,484 minimum/year

Jan. 27

Food Service Worker II/#1183

12-Month; M-F; 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; occasional weekends

Dining Services - West Dining Center

\$6.00/Hour

Jan. 20

Food Service worker II/#1046

12-Month; M-F; 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; occasional weekends

Dining Services - Residence Dining Center

Baker II

6 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Dining Services

\$8.30/hour

Jan. 25

Custodian (2 positions available)
 Pos #0760 - 6 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
 Pos #0987 - 3:30 p.m.-midnight
 Physical Plant
 \$13,847 minimum/year
 Feb. 3

Medical Records Technician II
 (9 months full-time; 3 months part-time)
 Student Health Service
 \$1,667/month (full-time)
 Feb. 4

Position openings are also available through the NDSU Web site at www.nodak.edu/human-resources/.

Research Opportunities

The Office of Research Administration in Old Main 201 announces the following funding opportunities and deadlines. For more information call 1-8908.

USDA

Higher Education Challenge Grants
www.reeusda.gov/1700/funding/ourfund.htm
Deadline: Feb. 9 (letter of intent)
March 9 (applications)

The Agriculture Department is seeking applications to strengthen higher education teaching programs in food and agricultural sciences at the baccalaureate level. Targeted areas are: curricula design and materials development; faculty preparation and enhancement for teaching; instruction delivery systems; and student experiential learning.

USDA

Biotechnology Risk-Assessment Research
www.reeusda.gov/crgam/biotechrisk/biotech.htm
Deadline: March 24

The Agriculture Department is inviting applications for biotechnology risk assessment research. Funded activities include: studies to help federal regulatory agencies make science-based decisions about introducing genetically modified organisms into the environment; research on large-scale deployment of genetically engineered organisms; development of statistical methods and measures of risks of field testing altered organisms; and relevant conferences.

Early American Industries Association
Research Grants Program
Deadline: March 15

The Association is inviting applications for research on projects that relate to the study and better understanding of early American industries in homes, shops, farms, or on the sea. The purpose is to assist with research leading to publications, exhibitions, or audio-visual materials.

Department of Energy

NGI: Research in Basic Technologies
www.er.doe.gov/production/grants/fr99_08.html
Deadline: Feb. 12 (preapplications)
March 31 (applications)

The DoE Office of Advanced Computing Research is seeking basic networking research under its Next Generation Internet initiative to support specific activities including: high-speed interfaces to connect devices to networks; protocols and techniques to coordinate multiple, heterogeneous network-attached devices; software for applications to adapt to changing network conditions; and network performance characterization.

NASA

Earth System Science Fellowship Program
www.earth.nasa.gov/education/ess99/index.html
Deadline: March 15

This Fellowship targets students pursuing graduate degrees in fields supporting the study of the Earth as a system. Applications for research on climate and hydrologic systems, ecological systems and dynamics, biogeochemical dynamics, solid Earth processes, human interactions, solar influences, and data and information systems will be considered.

Calendar

January

Through Jan. 26 "Unthreaded: A Look at Contemporary Quilting," Memorial Union Gallery; for info call 1-8239

20 Architecture/Landscape Architecture—Patrick Leong, AIA and Principal of Cybertects.SHEA—a division of SHEA Architects, Inc., "Custom Multimedia Solutions for Architecture," 5 p.m., Loftsgard 114

22 Psychology—Joshua Smyth, "Blood, Sweat, Tears, and ... Spit? Measuring Physiological Stress Responses in the Natural Environment," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

22 Animal and Range Sciences—Mario Biondini, "Principles of Systems Thinking in Biological Research," 3 p.m., Hultz 104

23 Spencer Borhen concert, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery; Tickets are \$5 and available at the Memorial Union Information Desk

26 Chemistry—Will Rees, Georgia Institute of Technology, will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

29 Juried Student Art Exhibition, Memorial Union Gallery; Reception 4-6 p.m.

29 Psychology—James Council, Kevin McCaul, and the Group Decision Center, "Graduate Education in Psychology at NDSU: Could We Do it Differently?" 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

February

Through Feb. 17 Juried Student Art Exhibition, Memorial Union Gallery; for info call 1-8239

2 Little Country Theatre free preview night for NDSU staff; call 1-7969 to reserve tickets; production "Baby with the Bathwater"

3 Architecture/Landscape Architecture—David Goehring, AIA and Principal of David Goehring Architects, LLC, "Dutch Modern Architecture and the Rebuilding of Rotterdam," 5 p.m., Loftsgard 114

3-6 Little Country Theatre production of "Baby with the Bathwater," 8 p.m. Askanase Auditorium; for tickets call ext. 1-7969

4 Chemistry—John Montgomery, Wayne State University, "New Cyclizations and Multicomponent Couplings," 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

5 Willson and McKee concert, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery

5 Psychology—Brenda King, University of Tennessee, "Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) and Individual Differences," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

12 Psychology—Steven J. Lepore, Carnegie-Mellon University, "Disclosing Personal Tragedies: The Costs and Benefits of Opening Up," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

12 Chemistry—Kay Brummond, West Virginia University, "Allenenes, Alkynes and [2+2+1] Cycloadditions," 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

12-15 Tour of Winnipeg

15 President's Day, administrative offices closed, no classes

16 Administrative offices open, classes resume

19 Psychology—Kevin D. McCaul, "Why Do People Obtain Cancer Screenings?" 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

22 Opening of "Dana Boussard: Between Places" exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery

25 Chemistry—Paul Kiprof, University of Minnesota, Duluth, will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

26 Psychology—David Corina, University of Washington, "Neural Representations of Human Language and Human Action," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

March

Through March 23 "Dana Boussard: Between Places," Memorial Union Gallery; for info call 1-8239

1 "Dana Boussard: Between Places" reception 4-6 p.m. Memorial Union Gallery

2 Brenda Weiler concert, 7-9 p.m. Memorial Union Gallery; Tickets are \$5 and available at the Memorial Union Information Desk

2 Chemistry—William Bailey, University of Connecticut, will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

5 Psychology—Laura DeHaan, "Individual and Community Risk Factors Among Early Adolescents in North Dakota," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

8-12 Spring break, no classes

15 Classes resume

19 Psychology—Gina Grimshaw, California State - San Marcos, "Interhemispheric Interactions: Why Two Brains Are Better Than One," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

21 Oscar J. Howard Native Memorial Scholars Fund Art Auction, Ramada Plaza Suites; for more info call the Office of Multicultural Student Services at 1-1029

22 Advising week begins for fall 1999 semester

22-26 International Week. For info. call 1-7895

22-26 International Juried Photo Exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery; for more info contact the Office of International Programs at 1-8046

26 Red River Psychology Conference, Moorhead State University

26 NDSU Art Senior Thesis projects on display, Memorial Union Gallery; Reception 4-6 p.m.

April

Through April 6 NDSU Art Senior Thesis projects on display, Memorial Union Gallery

2 Good Friday, administrative offices closed

2-5 Holiday/recess, no classes

5 Administrative offices open, classes resume

8-16 Interior Design Senior Thesis projects on display, Memorial Union Gallery

9 Interior Design Senior Thesis projects reception, 4-6 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery

9 Psychology—John K. Robinson, SUNY at Stony Brook, "Rats as Small Furry Humans in Studies of the Neurobiology of Amnesia," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

10 Tri-College Percussion Ensemble and Marimba Choir Spring Concert, 4 p.m. Festival Concert Hall

13 Little Country Theatre free preview night for NDSU staff; call ext. 1-7969 to reserve tickets; production, "Hedda Gabler"

14-17 Little Country Theatre production of "Hedda Gabler," 8 p.m. Askanase Auditorium; for tickets call ext. 1-7969

15 Chemistry—Robert Malecza, Michigan State University, will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

16 Psychology—Scott Lilienfeld, Emory University, "Psychopathic Personality: Links Among Theory, Assessment, and Research," 3:30 p.m., Minard 209

20 NDSU Architecture and Landscape Architecture Day, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Memorial Union Gallery

21-23 NDSU Landscape Architecture Finalists on display, Memorial Union Gallery

23 NDSU Landscape Architecture Finalists reception 4-6 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery

29 Last day of classes

26-30 NDSU McKenzie Award Architecture Finalists on display, Memorial Union Gallery

29 Chemistry—Michael Patane, Merck & Co., Inc., will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

30 Reading/review day

30 NDSU McKenzie Award Architecture Finalists reception 4-6 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery

30 Spring Ceramic Sale, 4-6 p.m., Department of Visual Arts

May

3-7 Final exams

8 Commencement

10 On-site registration for standard four-week summer courses

11 Classes begin

13 Chemistry—Randy Halcomb, University of Colorado at Boulder, will present a seminar at 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

31 Memorial Day, administrative offices closed, no classes

June

1 Administrative offices open, classes resume

4 Last day of four-week classes

7 on-site registration for standard eight-week summer courses

8 Classes begin

July

4 Independence Day, Administrative offices closed, no classes

6 Administrative offices open, classes resume

30 Last day of summer classes



Technology Lunchbox series

The ITS training staff will once again present a series of noon hour demonstrations covering several different topics throughout the spring semester. Food and beverages are available for purchase from the Memorial Union Food Court or Atrium, or you may bring your own lunch.

The Technology Lunchbox sessions will be held twice monthly on Mondays from 12:10-12:50 p.m., beginning Monday, Jan. 25.

Jan. 25	University Chamber - Memorial Union Customized Netscape Start Pages
Feb. 8	University Chamber Participating in Electronic Mailing Lists
Feb. 22	University Chamber Digital Photography
March 8	University Chamber Downloading Files From the Internet
March 22	IACC 422 Smart Board Demonstration
April 5	University Chamber Coping With E-mail File Attachments
April 19	IACC 422 Interactive Video Network Demonstration

These sessions are free and open to anyone on the NDSU campus. Registration is not required.

Spring semester training sessions scheduled

The ITS training staff has scheduled the following training sessions throughout the spring semester, many of which are repeated at different times to allow more faculty and staff members to participate.

- Creating Web Pages Using HTML
- Creating Web Pages Using AOLpress
- Creating Web Pages Using Claris Home Page 3.0
- Creating Interactive Forms on Web Pages
- Publishing Web Pages to the NDSU Web Server
- Word 97 for Windows
- Windows 95

- PowerPoint 97 for Windows
- Access 97 for Windows
- Excel 97 for Windows
- Using Netscape and the World Wide Web
- Using Groupwise
- E-mail Using Mulberry

To view course descriptions, session schedules, and to register for these sessions, go to www.ndsu.nodak.edu/helpdesk under the Training section follow the Staff/Faculty links to Schedules and Registration, or call the ITS Help Desk at 1-8685.

These sessions are open to all NDSU faculty and staff members at no cost. Pre-registration is required and class sizes are limited, so register early.

The Access and Excel 97 for Windows sessions are sponsored by the NDSU Staff Senate and registration fees for these sessions are paid by Staff Development funds.

New training session cancellation policies

We've had empty seats in some of the training sessions because someone has registered and not shown up or not canceled. As a result a new registration cancellation policy has been initiated to help accommodate people who are on the waiting list.

If you register for a training session but cannot attend, you must cancel 48 hours prior to the start of the class. Your department will be assessed a \$25 charge for late cancellations or no shows. Contact Lorna Olsen at 1-6328 or C.J. Johnson at 1-6245 if you must cancel.

When registering for a session, please be sure to enter your full and correct e-mail address in the on-line registration form. You will receive a notice via e-mail confirming your reservation. If you do not receive a confirmation notice, contact Lorna Olsen or C.J. Johnson to confirm your reservation.

If you register several people from your department, please enter their e-mail addresses rather than yours so each person receives a confirmation notice.

NDSU LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Prepared by Rick Johnson, NDSU General Counsel
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The following are some of the bills of particular interest to NDSU. The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education Office tracks additional bills. You can get the text of the bills and other legislative information on the web at www.state.nd.us/lr/.

House

HB 1003 NDUS appropriation bill. Appropriates \$128,100,635 to NDSU from all funds (\$72,401,732 general fund). Authorizes bonding of \$4,500,000 for the Health and Wellness Center.

HB 1021 Ag appropriation bill. Appropriates \$96,793,422 from all funds (\$47,917,280 general fund).

HB 1022 Appropriation authority for bonding for the animal care research facility.

HB 1034 Section 15 relates to higher education credit for juniors and seniors in high school who take courses.

HB 1037 Restricts claims against the State for Y2K liability if good faith effort is made.

HB 1046 Prohibits service contracts from extending into the following biennium.

HB 1048 Provides for the State Treasurer to collect debts for state agencies and for the State Treasurer and Director of Office of Management and Budget to supervise collection of debts.

HB 1049 Provides for confidentiality of audit reports until presented to the Legislature.

HB 1058 Makes ticket scalping to public events, such as athletic contests, a Class A misdemeanor.

HB 1096 Requires employers to pay for medical examinations or drug tests if required for retaining or obtaining employment.

HB 1105 Authorizes DMV to issue special collegiate license plates for \$25 per year.

HB 1138 Makes patient records at the Student Health Service confidential.

HB 1165 Provides for continuing appropriation for special revenue funds, including tuition.

HB 1170 Section 14 requires all vendors for state purchasing to be approved by the Director of OMB.

HB 1174 Allows employee suggestion incentive rewards to cover cost savings in other agencies and provides for supervisors to share in the award.

HB 1186 Repeals a number of outdated provisions relating to various higher education institutions.

HB 1228 Requires prefiled bills for state employee raises.

HB 1257 Creates an alternative defined contribution retirement plan for nonclassified state employees.

HB 1262 Makes employees who voluntarily retire ineligible for Worker's Comp.

HB 1296 Creates authority for Worker's Comp. programs for coverage beyond the state's borders.

HB 1297 Creates mandatory medical coverage for annual mammograms for women who are at least 40 years of age.

HB 1300 Requires state agencies to grant mandatory leaves of absence for employees elected to the Legislature.

HB 1311 Establishes the state radiology technology board of examiners for licensure of persons who administer radiological procedures.

HB 1316 Requires economic impact statements to be filed before closure of a higher education institution.

HB 1341 Increases the lodging per diem from \$39 to \$42 per day.

HB 1355 Establishes a midwestern regional higher education commission for coordination of certain higher education activities in 12 midwestern states.

HB 2195 Establishes a prepaid tuition credit program for residents of the state and requires universities to participate in the program.

SB2015 Appropriates \$5,400,000 for equity compensation adjustments for classified state employees (Section 6). Provides \$35 minimum per month raises both years of the biennium with 3% each year of the biennium overall raises (Section 7).

SB 2029 Eliminates requirement that the legislative budget section approve the nonresident tuition rate.

SB 2031 Creates a legislative budget committee and provides procedure for developing a legislative budget.

SB 2043 Creates a state information technology department to regulate information technology for the state under the control of a state information technology board. State agencies will be required to access wide area network services through the department.

SB 2044 Creates a legislative council information technology committee to review activities of the information technology department.

SB 2047 Restricts contingent fee arrangements by the Attorney General.

SB 2056 Relates to Board of Higher Education's six year plan.

SB 2058 Allows a fee waiver for criminal history record checks.

SB 2071 Increases the PERS multiplier from .77% to .89% and allows retirement plan rollovers to PERS.

SB 2072 Sets premium rate for non Medicare eligible retiree health insurance.

SB 2084 Reduces higher education's portion of the Guard tuition waiver to 25%.

SB 2108 Provides for out of state lodging prepayments where sales tax exemptions can be obtained.

SB 2110 Creates a state risk management motor vehicle accident review board.

SB 2124 Requires OMB to prefile a separate bill for state employee salary increases.

SB 2140 Relates to Board of Higher Education's six year plan.

SB 2141 Makes confidential university fundraising and donor records.

SB 2176 Relates to the practice of pharmacy.

SB 2191 Creates state mandatory collective bargaining act.

SB 2208 Relates to recommendation of the state employee benefits program committee regarding benefits extending beyond the current biennium.

SB 2215 Repeals statutory provisions relating to BHE membership and terms and to junior college mill levies.

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